MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know whether those functions are directly connected with the actual ceremony itself?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): They are connected with the ceremony.

Grant to the Kera Karshaka Sanghom.

13. *MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have given a grant or donation to the Kera Karshaka Sanghom?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Yes, for the work it is carrying on within the State to help the cocoanut industry.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know the amount given as donation to the Kera Karshaka Sanghom?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Rs. 1,000.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know why that amount was given?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): For the good work done by the Sanghom.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): What is the nature of the work?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Improvements to the cocoanut industry.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know whether Government consider that as an important work?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): In view of the Sanghom's important work, do the Government think that Rs. 1,000 is a sufficient grant?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Government consider that as a sufficient grant

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): Was there any deputation to the Viceroy from among the members of the Sanghom?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): There might have been.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): Have the Government stated that the Sanghom should spend this amount for propaganda work in connection with the improvement of the cocoanut industry?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know the reasons for that?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Because it was intended to be utilised for the improvement of cocoanut industry within the State.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): Is it the opinion of the Government that the amount should be spent for work done by the Sanghom alone?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): It was the intention of Government that the amount should not be utilised for any purpose other than that mentioned by Government.

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MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know how Government have realised that work which the Kera Karshaka Sanghom was doing was an important work?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): When the Government became aware of the existence of the Sanghom, Government called for a report from the Director of Agriculture who reported that the Sanghom was doing good work.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know whether Government felt that there was necessity for such work within the State or outside the State?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Yes. And when the Sanghom applied for financial help, Government considered it necessary to give Rs. 1,000.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): My question is different. May I know whether Government realised that there was necessity for such work within the State?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): People realised the necessity of forming a Sanghom and it is not the Government that realised it.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): Am I to understand then that people realised it and Government did not realise it?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Government are not forming the Sanghom. The Sanghom is quite different from Government. It is a private association.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha I*): May I know whether it is a registered association?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha I*): May I know whether the Government have called for a detailed statement of the expenditure incurred by the Sanghom?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): No.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha I*): Has the Sanghom supplied any statement of this expenditure?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): No.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): Are the accounts of the Sanghom being audited by Government?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): No.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): Do not Government follow the policy of auditing the institutions that are in receipt of Government grants?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Not always. If any institution deserves financial help, Government would naturally make a grant.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): May I know how Government were able to understand that a help from Government was really necessary?

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MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): When the Sanghom asked for financial help, Government called for a report from the Director of Agriculture who said that the institution is doing good work.

MR. EDAVANATT S. PADMANABHA MENON (*Shertala I*): May I know whether there was any representation from the non-official members that the Sanghom deserves financial assistance?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. N. E. VARUGHESE (*Tiruvalla I*): May I know whether the Government have received an application from the Association for its being registered?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

SADASYA TILAKAN T. K. VELU PILLAI (*Trivandrum—Urban*): May I know from Government whether the grant that is given is intended to be spent for the collection of manure or for the purchase of any fresh apparatus in connection with improvements to the cocoanut industry?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Everything that is calculated to improve the industry will come within the scope of the grant.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): May I know the amount spent for 1110 for the Sanghom?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): It is not an yearly grant. It was a specific amount sanctioned as donation to the Sanghom.

PRESIDENT: Before we proceed to the interpellations on to-day's agenda, I have to inform the House of one fact. Mr. Truscott, who should have been present to-day and in whose name about five questions have been entered in the answers, was prevented, for reasons beyond his control, from returning to Trivandrum. He is coming by air and honourable members might have heard of the sad accident to the aeroplane on the last occasion. Even on this occasion, the aeroplane is not free from that accident. It has been held up at Goa on account of engine trouble. A telegram has been received from Mr. Truscott to say that he has been held up at Goa and that efforts are being made to restart the engine and he hopes to arrive here in the course of the day. That is the position. I am sure that the House will be anxious to elicit fuller replies from the Chief Engineer in regard to the questions on the agenda of to-day. If the House has no objection, I think we may take up those questions tomorrow rather than have incomplete answers being delivered by someone on the Treasury Bench who has not previously studied the file.

Munsiff's Court Building in Nedumangad.

14. *MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether they are aware that there is not sufficient accommodation for the Munsiff's Court at Nedumangad; and

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